

**ACTION MINUTES  
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
September 5, 2002**

**THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY  
THE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.**

**1.0    CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair, Toni Young called the meeting of the Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) to order at 10:35a.m.

**2.0    PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD and INTRODUCTIONS**

Charlotte Eckelbecker invited the Committee to attend SCAG workshops on Socioeconomic Trend Projections.

**3.0    REVIEW and PRIORITIZE AGENDA**

**4.0    CONSENT CALENDAR**

**4.1    Approval Item**

4.1.1    Action Minutes – August 1, 2002

*Minutes corrected to reflect Mac Dube in attendance during August meeting.*

**4.2    Receive and File**

4.2.1    SCAG Legislative Matrix 2001/2002 Session

4.2.2    Semi-Monthly Intergovernmental Review (IGR) Report:  
Areawide Clearinghouse Listing Environmental Document Listing  
and Amendments to Regional Transportation Improvement  
Program.

***Motion to Approve by Clark, Seconded by Miller, then UNANIMOUSLY  
APPROVED.***

## 5.0 ACTION ITEMS

### 5.1 Brownfields Reuse: Progress and Issues

Ms. Stephanie Shakofsky, Executive Director of the California Center for Land Recycling, gave a presentation on the challenges facing redevelopment of brownfields, abandoned urban sites formerly in industrial use. While some federal and state legislative progress has been made to remove technical and financial barriers to reuse of these sites, more needs to be done. Ms. Shakofsky presented to the Committee a policy statement supporting further legislative changes, but it was not adopted pending further presentations on the issue.

***Motion to return item next month by Kuiper, Seconded by Kring, and APPROVED by the Committee.***

### 5.2 Brownfields Reuse: Legislative Initiatives

Jennifer Hernandez, Beveridge and Diamond, was unable to attend.

### 5.3 Greenhouse Gas Initiative

Paul Hughes, Manager of Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) Implementation Section, California Air Resources Board (CARB) gave a presentation on AB1493, which was signed by Governor Davis on July 22, 2002. This bill requires CARB to adopt and develop regulations, by January 1, 2005, to achieve the maximum feasible reduction of greenhouse gases emitted by passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks. CARB will not receive additional funding for the expected increase in workload. The new standards would affect vehicles in model year 2009 and beyond.

***Receive and file item, no action taken.***

### 5.4 Resolution Proposition 50

Ted Costa, People's Advocate (opposition) and Daniel Cozad, SAWPA (support), were scheduled to present both sides of the resolution. Unfortunately, Mr. Costa was unavailable.

Mr. Cozad, SAWPA, provided the Committee with a brief summary in support of Proposition 50.

However, after a lengthy discussion, the Committee decided to return the item next month to hear both opposition and supporting arguments.

*Motion to return item next month by Kuiper, Seconded by Miller, and APPROVED by the Committee. Opposed by Kring.*

5.5 Update: Air Quality

Molly Hoffman, SCAG Staff, gave EEC Committee members a brief presentation on issues concerning the latest developments in the 2002/2003 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan (SCAQMP) and the conformity implications for the SCAG region. EEC Committee members approved staff recommendations to use cost effectiveness as the primary criterion by SCAG, SCAQMD, CARB and USEPA when choosing control measures for the 2002/2003 SCAQMP. EEC Committee members also approved staff recommendations to work with agencies (SCAQMD and CARB) to provide adequate emission budgets, which will allow for growth in the Region out to SCAG's 2004 RTP planning horizon year 2030.

*Motion by Eckenrode, Seconded by Rutherford, then UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.*

6.0 **WATER POLICY TASK FORCE REPORT**

During the August 14th WPTF meeting, the Task Force recommend that the Environment Committee (EEC) consider supporting a resolution for Proposition 50. The task force also examined the interrelationship between landscaping and water conservation in Southern California, especially in the use of native plants and vegetation. Specifically, Arthur Golding, AIA and President of the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Rivers Watershed Council introduced an effort to encourage a paradigm shift towards sustainability that is expected to help replace the dominance of tropical plants in Southern California with Mediterranean and native plants. In addition, Rudy Lee, Area Engineer (southern Los Angeles County) for the Flood Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works, and Terri Grant, Principle Engineer of the Watershed Management Division, briefed the Task Force on trash control measures in Compton Creek. Finally, Dan Griset briefly summarized recent meetings with the Regional Water Quality Control Board of Los Angeles and reviewed the Work Plan for the Sustainable Water Quality Improvement Initiative.

Next meeting - October 10, 2002

7.0 **SOLID WASTE TASK FORCE REPORT**

Next meeting – September 12, 2002

8.0 **CHAIRS' REPORT**

None

**9.0    STAFF REPORT**

None

**10.0   COMMITTEE INFORMATION SHARING**

Committee requested staff pursue a speaker on bio-diesel.

**11.0   COMMENT PERIOD**

None

**12.0   ADJOURNMENT**

Committee adjourned at 12:25 pm

**Approved by:**

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**Rich Macias, Manager**  
**Aviation and Environmental Planning**

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE		
Member	City	Present
Clark, Margaret	Rosemead	X
Cook, Debbie	Huntington Beach	X
Cowan, Elizabeth	Costa Mesa	
Daniels, Gene	Paramount	X
De Rosa, Kathleen	Cathedral City	
Dube, M.J. "Mac"	Twenty-nine Palms	X
Eckenrode, Norman	Placentia	X
Feinstein, Michael	Santa Monica	
Forester, Larry	Signal Hill	X
Kring, Lucille	Anaheim	X
Krom, Beth	Irvine	
Kuiper, Hank (Vice Chair)	Imperial	X
La Bonge, Tom	Los Angeles	
Miller, Michael	West Covina	X
Miscikowski, Cindy	Los Angeles	
Nelson, Larry	Artesia	
Roth, Neil	Lawndale	X
Rutherford, Mark	Westlake Village	X
Ruvalcaba, Xochilt	South Gate	
Streator, Joyce	Pasadena	
Van Arsdale, Lori	Hemet	X
Washburn, Dennis	Calabasas	X
Weiss, Jack	Los Angeles	
Young, Toni (Chair)	Port Hueneme	X

Ex-Officio Members		
Member	Agency	Present
Arias-Lee, Norma	Metropolitan Water District	
Gildred, Kathleen	SCCED	X
Ketcham, Ron	SCAQMD	
Oduyemi, Felix	SCE	
Perdue, Robert	California Regional Water Control Board	
Pruett, Ben	Gas Company	
Wein, George	Metropolitan Water District	

Quorum	8
Voting Members Present	13
Total Voting Members	24
% Members Present	54%